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Sir.

## Country Designated expert to the International Health Regulations (2005) (IHR (2005)) **Roster of Experts**

On behalf of the Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO), I have the honour to thank the Royal Government of Bhutan for having nominated Dr Gado Tshering on 18 May 2006 for the IHR (2005) Roster of Experts in accordance with Article 47 of the IHR.

Please note that Dr Gado Tshering was appointed to the IHR Roster of Experts by the Director-General in accordance with the WHO Regulations for Expert Advisory Panels and Committees for a period of four years, which expires on 15 June 2011.

I would be grateful if you would let us know at your earliest convenience if the Royal Government of Bhutan wishes that the appointment of Dr Gado Tshering to the IHR Roster of Experts should be renewed for another four-year period, or end at the expiration of this current term.

In the latter case, we would encourage the Royal Government of Bhutan to forward to WHO the name, contact details and fields of expertise of an alternative expert for the Roster.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Dr Keiji Fukuda

Assistant Director-General for Health Security and Environment

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cc: The Minister of Health, Ministry of Health, Royal Government of Bhutan, Thimphu Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Bhutan to the United Nations Office at Geneva and Specialized Agencies in Switzerland